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Application of: Kolesnick *et al.*

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For: METHODS FOR THE  
MODULATION OF ACID-  
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APOPTOSIS

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Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office action dated March 12, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application, and in accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the remarks and enter the amendments below. Attached hereto are: (i) Exhibit A, a marked-up version of the paragraph amended in the specification, with additions indicated by underlined text and (ii) Exhibit B, a marked-up version of the amended claims, with additions indicated by underlined text and deletions indicated by brackets; (iii) Exhibit C, a copy of the claims as will be pending following entry of the amendments made herein. Applicants submit herewith: (i) a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and a list of References Cited (Reference CJ) (including a copy of Reference CJ) and (ii) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet.